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FOLLOWING REPEAT NICOSIA 0460 ACTION SECSTATE, KUWAIT INFO
CAIRO, DAMASCUS, TEL AVIV, AMMAN, ATHENS, ANKARA, JIDDA,
ADDIS ABABA, MOGADISCIO AND BEIRUT FEB 18.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 0460

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PPUS, PORS, CY

SUBJECT: ATTACK BY PALESTINIAN TERRORIST IN NICOSIA

REF NICOSIA 0451

1. FOLLOWING IS SITUATION REPORT AS OF 1830 HOURS LOCAL:
ACCORDING TO PERSONS AT HILTON HOTEL, TERRORISTS BORE ETHIOPIAN
PASSPORTS UPON REGISTERING AT HOTEL AND ONE WAS ETHIOPIAN, THE
OTHER AN ERITREAN. THEY HAD BEEN AT HOTEL TWO DAYS BEFORE
COMMENCEMENT OF CONFERENCE, HAD NOT BEEN OFFICIALLY INVITED TO
ATTEND THE CONFERENCE, BUT HAD BEEN ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE
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IN MEETINGS. ON 17 FEBRUARY EVENING ONE PERSON AT THE HOTEL HAD
OBSERVED THE TWO TERRORISTS IN THE COMPANY OF AN UNIDENTIFIED
FEMALE DESCRIBED AS SHORT, BLOND HAIRE, AND BOSOMY. THIS
WOMAN APPARENTLY DEPARTED THE HOTEL EARLIER ON 18 FEBRUARY.

2. ACCORDING TO A GOC OFFICIAL WHO HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OTHER
GOC OFFICIALS AT THE AIRPORT, THE TERRORISTS HAVE DEMANDED THAT

MININT VENIAMIN, VASSOS LYSSARIDES AND SYRIAN MILATT HADDAD
ACCOMPANY THEM WHEN THEY DEPART CYPRUS.

3. EGYPTIAN PLANE ARRIVING IN CYPRUS HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN
SENT HERE IN ORDER TO TRANSPORT EGYPTIAN DELEGATION AT AAPSO
CONFERENCE BACK TO EGYPT.

4. CYPRUS AIRWAYS GENERAL MANAGER ADVISED EMBOFF THAT LEBANESE
OFFICIALS INITIALLY DIDNOT ALLOW CY BAC-111 TO LAND AT BEIRUT
BECAUSE THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT PLANE WAS CARRYING TERRORISTS.
THIS AIRCRAFT HAS NOT YET RETURNED TO LARNACA AIRPORT.
CRAWFORD
UNQUOTE VANCE

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